(ङ) मानवीय आधारों पर अनुचित कठिनाई के अलग-अलग मामले । इस श्रेणी की संख्या प्रति वर्ष पांच तक सीमित रहेगी ।

(4) दोषपूर्ण श्रेणी अर्थात् किसी यथार्थ गलती के कारण जिन व्यक्तियों के प्रार्थना-पत्रों की नियमित आवंटन हेतु पंजीकृत नहीं किया जा सका ।

Management consultancy services to public sector undertakings

514. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to a news item captioned "Back door entry by NRI firm" which appeared in the *Times of India*, dated the 23rd February, 1986 to the effect that management consultancy services to public sector undertakings have been agreed to under which each consultant or NRI firm would be paid a minimum of 1,50,000 dollar annually and a minimum of 5 consultants would have to be engaged by all such undertakings;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) whether such involvement of foreign consultants has dismayed public sector chiefs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) There is a proposal for setting up of a Joint Venture in India with equity participation from some of the public sector undertakings along with a new company to be formed by highly qualified non-resident Indians with the back up support of a renowned internationally known consultancy organisation for rendering specialised management and technological services to public sector undertakings. Administrative Ministries of certain public sector undertakings in sectors like power, coal, heavy engineering, railways, petroleum have been requested to advise few undertakings accordingly. Payment of fees by the concerned undertakings will depend upon the scope of services rendered by the proposed company.

The non-resident Indian firm is yet to be formed. The scope of consultancy services to be provided by the joint venture company and the services to be obtained by the public sector enterprises would depend on the agreements to be finalised in each case in consultation with the chiefs of public sector enterprises.

Cigarettes spreading cancer

515. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a certain brands of cigarettes manufactured by ITC Limited have been detected spreading cancer by U.S.A. and some other European countries;

(b) if so, the names of such brands; and

(c) whether Government propose to ban those brands in India also and if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Government have no information.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Abolition of Court fee

516. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a committee of Law Ministers of the States made a suggestion that court fees should be abolished to make administration of justice cheaper for the common people; and

(b) if so, whether the suggestion has since been examined by Govern-